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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT

TUESDAY JULY 26, 2015 7:15 PM

CUMBERLAND TOWN HALL, EVERETT "MOE" BONNER, JR. TOWN CHAMBERS

45 BROAD STREET, CUMBERLAND

Bruce A. Lemois
Chairman

Phillip Koutsogiane
Vice-Chair

Christopher Parent
Commissioner

Cynthia Ouellette
Commissioner

Ronald Champagne
Commissioner

Jim Scullin
Commissioner

Frank Matta
Commissioner

Kenneth Finlay
Chief of the Department

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Kelley Morris
General Counsel

Diane Karolyshyn
Finance Director

Debra Auclair
District Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

AT: 7:15

Present: Chairman Lemois, Commissioners Koutsogiane, Matta Ouellette, Champagne and Scullin. Chief Finlay.

Absent: Commissioner Parent – Work, Solicitor Morris – Vacation, Finance Director Karolyshyn – Personal Matter

2. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Chairman read Mrs. Lopes letter read into minutes. Letter to be filed with final approved minutes.

Commissioner Ouellette spoke about running for two seats with comments by Commissioner Scullin.

Commissioner Scullin asked for the following items to be placed on next month's agenda. The Chairman asked for these items to be sent to Mr. Scullin and if he isn't satisfied to let the Chair know.

Mr. Koutsogiane asked for data from the Chair on a chart the Chairman had produce in May of 2015. Chairman said he would check with the Solicitor to see if that data was public record or personal information as the data is a year and a half old and the Chair is not sure he has that data.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of minutes from June 28, 2016

FIRST: Commissioner Champagne

SECOND: Commissioner Matta

VOTE: 4-2 Koutsogiane & Scullin vote no without explanation.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. FC-R-2016-32 Cost sharing on Training Trainer (Grant Match)

FIRST: Commissioner Ouellette

SECOND: Commissioners Champagne

VOTE: 6-0

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Finance Report – We will have a full report on the 2015-16 finances in the August meeting.

Mr. Koutsogiane stated he was disappointed in the fact that there were not number available for tonight as they are in the computer. Chairman went on to explain that the business department was converting the new budget over in the finance system, there were upgrades needed and they had the new tax collection system to implement in June. Chair was not disappointed given the work load within the finance department.
There was questions on the audit and the Chair asked Mr. Scullin to research and see if there were minutes to support his issue.

- b. FC-R-2016-34 Authorize payment to R&D Road Service.
FIRST: Commissioner Champagne
SECOND: Commissioners Ouellette & Matta
VOTE: 6-0
- c. Mr. Koutsogiane's accusation that he has requested changes to be made to the minutes but they have not been made. See time stamp: 3:27 in the 6/28/16 meeting video.
 - i. Mr. Koutsogiane will provide the evidence he said he had, but not with him at the June 28, 2016 meeting. See Time Stamp: 3:30 in the 6/28/16 meeting video.
FIRST: Commissioner Ouellette moves to table to 8/30/16
SECOND: Commissioner Matta & Champagne
VOTE: 4-2 Koutsogiane & Scullin vote nay
- d. Mr. Koutsogiane's request to review how minutes are being managed. See time stamp: 3:56 in the 6/28/16 meeting video
FIRST: NO VOTE
SECOND:
VOTE:
- e. FC-R-2016-33 Hiring of a Court Stenographer
FIRST: Commissioner Champagne for purpose of discussion
SECOND: Commissioner Ouellette
VOTE: 0-6

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

FIRST: Commissioner Champagne
SECOND: Commissioner Matta
VOTE: 6-0

VIDEO IS LOCATED: https://youtu.be/i3NRmGQ_VHA